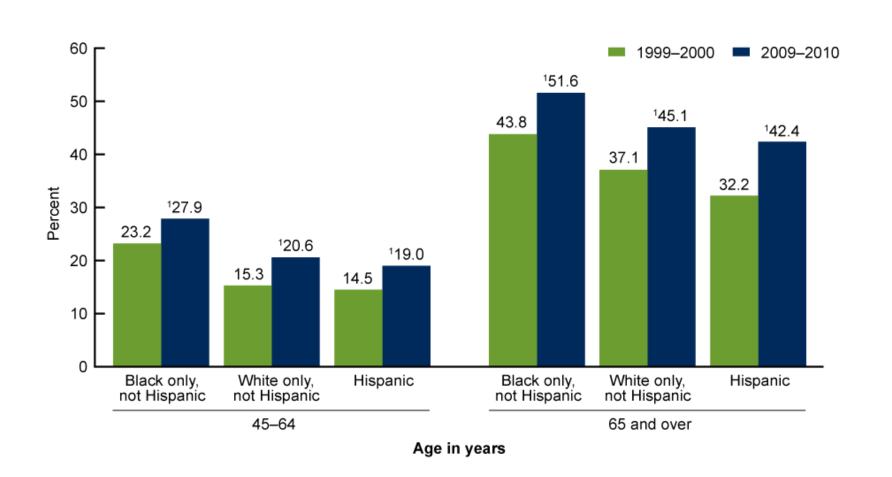
# A Cross-Cultural Collaboration to Improve Healthy Retail Practices in *Tiendas*

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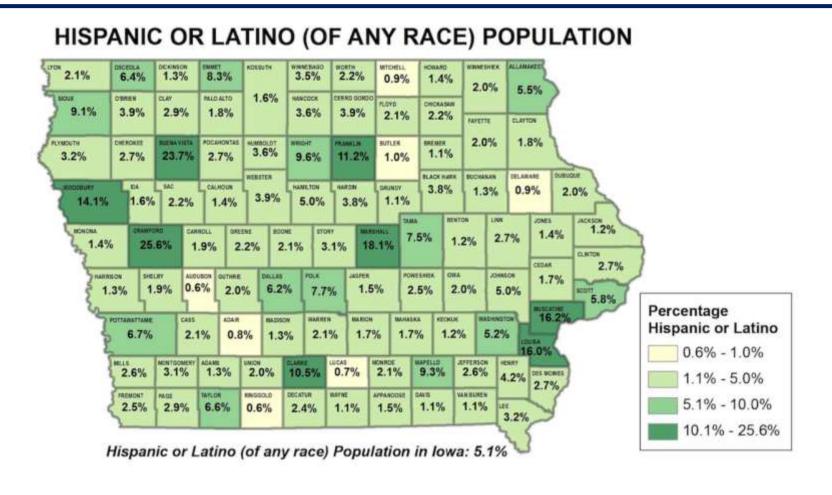
## U.S. Latinx populations are disproportionately affected by chronic diseases.



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# Tiendas are trusted cultural hubs where culturally relevant interventions can be implemented.



## In a rural context, tiendas provide a location to positively influence healthy eating behaviors.



#### Purpose of the Study

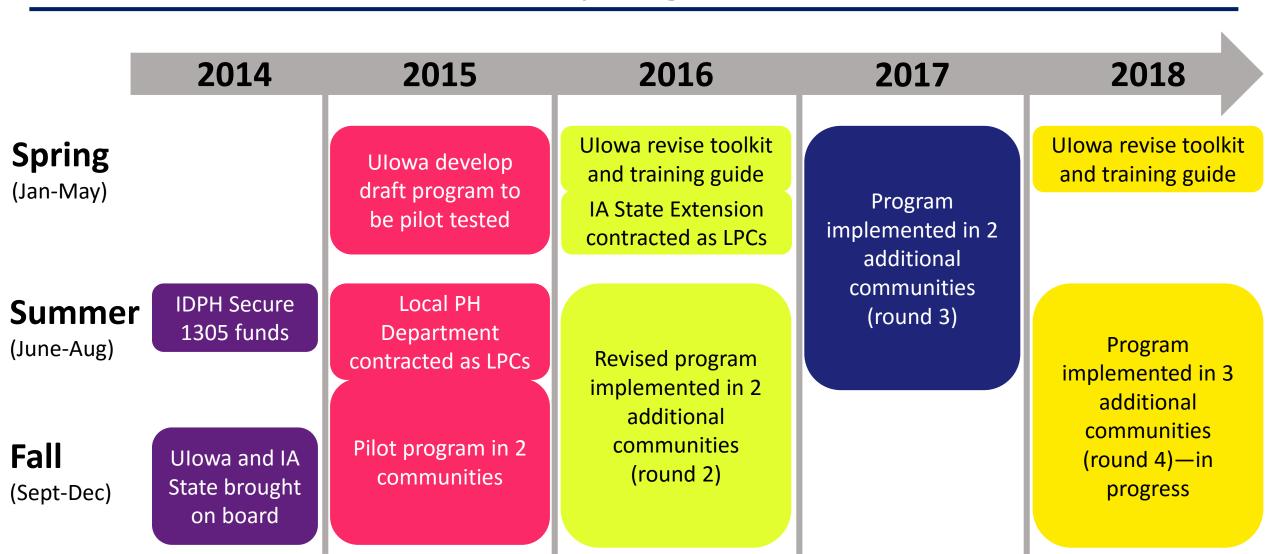
• To develop a multi-sector collaboration to increase healthy eating behaviors among rural Latinx populations.



### Shop Healthy Iowa (SHI) as a multi-sector collaboration:



# How SHI's collaborators became involved in the program:



# SHI targets healthy retail adaptations through structural and marketing strategies.

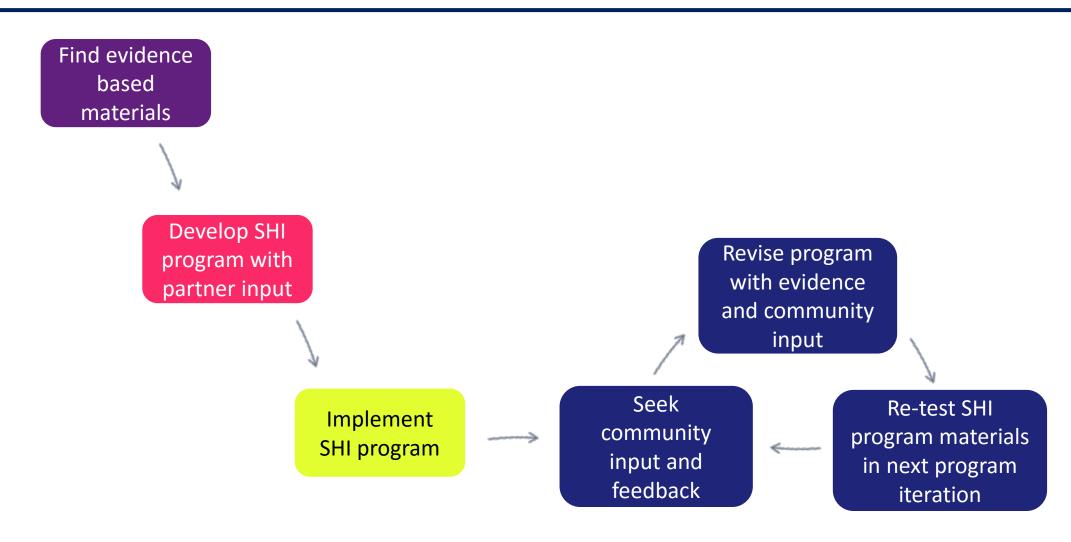






**Marketing Changes** 

### Adopting a re-iterative and adaptive process has been key to maintaining continuous partner engagement.

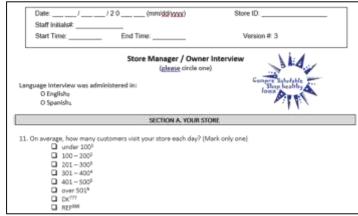


# To evaluate the program, multiple types of indicators are collected and analyzed.

#### Process



#### Outcome





#### **Impact**



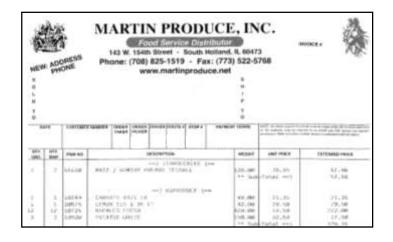


### SHI has reached nine "new destination" communities.

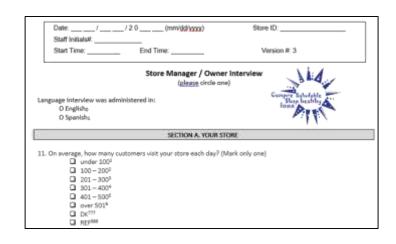


## Developing a strong cross-cultural partnership has facilitated the evaluation process.

#### **Receipt Time Points**



#### Manager Interviews



**Customer Surveys** 

	Store Name:  IDF:Staff Initials:		Corners Entertable
-	ealthy lowa		Shop healthy
	do you and your family get your food (check all that apply)?		
	Grocery store or supermarket (Hy-Vee, Shop 'n Save, Country Mart)	- 0	Dollar store
	Large store (Walmart, Terget)	- 7	from and poputore Farmers market
	Corner/convenience store (7-Eleven, Casey's, Conner Market)	D	Food pantry, church or community cards
	Drug store (Walgreens, CVS)		Other place:
2. How of	ten do you shop at this store? (checkone)		
	Dally		A few times a year
	Weskly		Never
-	Monthly		

31 time intervals (none collected from "in progress" stores

24 manager interviews (2 in progress)

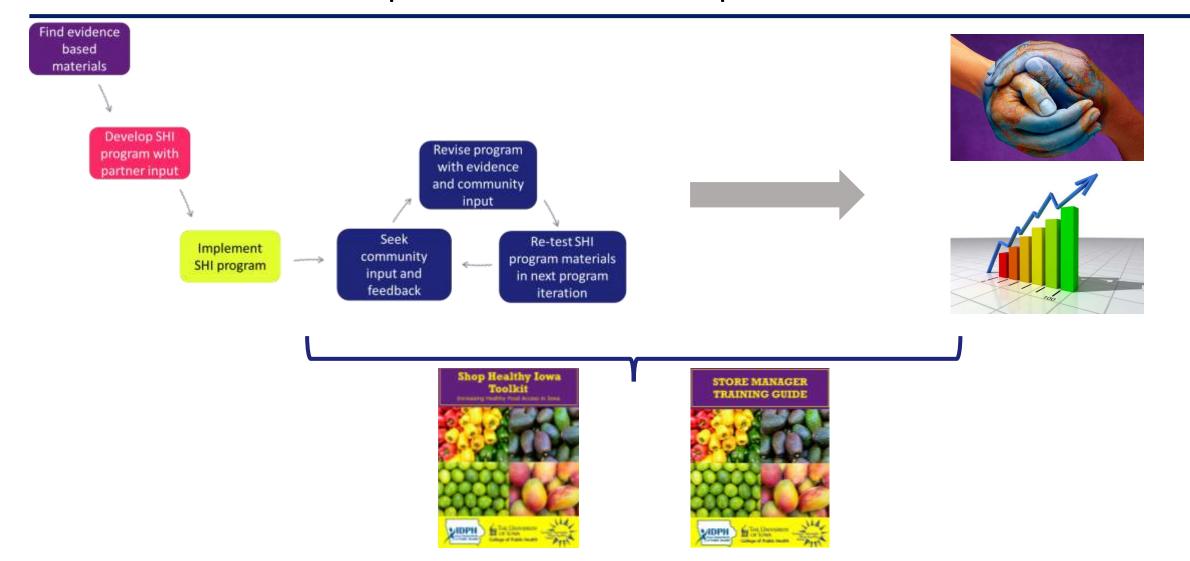
227 customer surveys (multiple versions)

# Cultural humility and economic development components were developed to incorporate LPC and manager feedback.





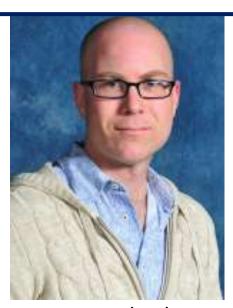
#### The participatory nature of SHI has contributed to increased acceptance and adoption of SHI initiatives.



#### Building and maintaining trust between store managers and LPCs has been vital to program success.







Jon Wolseth

Jon: "You can't expect store owners to make changes to their store layout or implement signage or even believe in the program without taking the necessary time to talk with them and build trust for successful implementation. That means starting early and visiting often so the stores get to know you."



Jill Sokness



Victor Oyervide

Jill: "The Shop Healthy project allows LPCs to build trust step by step -- we are not there for just one visit; we consistently return and present the store owners and managers with helpful information or items that will help their business. They appreciate this and come to know that we are there to help, so when another Extension program comes along, they are very happy to participate. They trust that what we have to give is valuable to them."

#### Store managers input and feedback on the program was important to incorporate throughout.



"...everything was beneficial"



The materials for the labels did not work well

"...everything was interesting"

"...sales increased as a result of SHI"

"...separating fruits and vegetables helped a lot..."

It was interesting and helped...will continue to grow my business...helped to know how government help can grow the business...

Most helpful parts of the program: nutrition information, fruits/vegetable stocking knowledge, information on structural changes

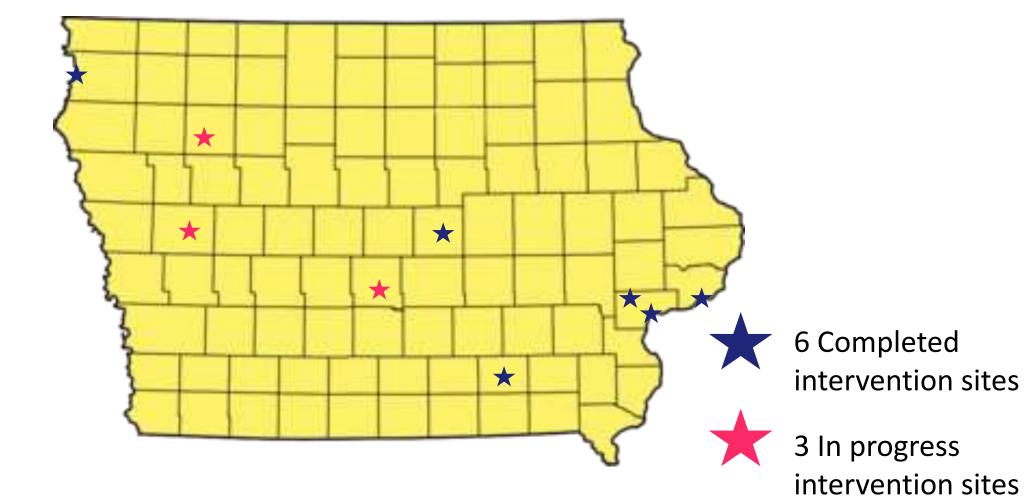
Would like more coupons

Posters need to be more visible

Would like more food demonstrations and recipe cards

Instead of shelves, provide a refrigerator

# SHI continues to expand into new locations and support previous implementation sites.



# Throughout this process, many lessons learned have been gained by collaborators.

Store Owners and LPCs

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